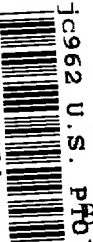


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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

- ☒ Patent Application having 11 pages of specification, claims, and abstract  
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- ☐ Assignment Papers of the invention to: N/A  
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- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.

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